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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**

Docket Number (Optional)

98-714

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Application Number 09/212,367

Filed 12/15/98

For Method and Apparatus for Automated Reprocessing of Tissue Sample

Art Unit 1744

Examiner William H. Beisner

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
(Case No. 98,714)

In re Application of:

David Baunoch, et al.

Serial No.: 09/212,367

Filed : December 15, 1998

For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
AUTOMATED REPROCESSING OF  
TISSUE SAMPLES**

Group Art Unit: 1744

Examiner: W. H. Beisner

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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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